

Appl. No. 10/802,505
Response Dated February 7, 2006
Reply to Office Action dated October 7, 2005,

Introductory Remarks

This Response to the October 7, 2005, Office Action:

1. includes a "Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal,"
2. cancels all claims pending in the patent application on October 7, 2005;
3. adds new claims 78-91 to the patent application and correspondingly amends the "Disclosure of Invention" and Abstract of the Disclosure to accord with the new claims; and
4. reverses all amendments of the specification and drawings appearing in a Response to a February 28, 2005, Office Action which was received by the USPTO on July 27, 2005.

Accordingly, after entry of the amendments appearing in this Response the specification and drawings of the patent application are essentially those existing when the patent application was filed after entry of a Preliminary Amendment received by the USPTO on March 16, 2004.

Furthermore, new claims 78-91 added by this Response differ markedly from those considered in the October 7, 2005, Office Action.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that due to the filing with this Response of the RCE transmittal together with

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amendment of the specification, drawings, Abstract of the Disclosure and claims appearing in this Response, all objections and rejections appearing in the October 7, 2005, Office Action are now moot.

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AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 5 of this Response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 13 of this Response.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 19 of this Response.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 20 of this Response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this Response.